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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 12, 2008 in the above-identified patent application, response to which is timely due February 12, 2009, the present response is deemed to be timely filed. Should there be any fees due and owing with respect to this response, the Office is authorized to charge such fees to deposit account no. 50-3208.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.